

CHAPTER 621

(House Bill 561)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse Services - Certification
of Facilities

FOR the purpose of establishing a certification program for facilities that provide treatment, care, and rehabilitation for individuals affected by alcoholism or alcohol abuse; ~~requiring certification of certain persons under that program~~; requiring the adoption of certain rules and regulations; ~~specifying that facilities providing these services are related institutions, providing for certain penalties~~; and exempting certain organizations from the certification program.

BY adding to

Article 2C - Alcoholism
Section 301A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

~~BY adding to~~

~~Article 43 - Health
Section 556(d)(4), 557A, and 557B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1980 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)~~

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 2C - Alcoholism

301A.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, "ALCOHOL ABUSE FACILITY" MEANS ANY FACILITY THAT PROVIDES TREATMENT, CARE, AND REHABILITATION FOR INDIVIDUALS EXHIBITING THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOLISM OR ALCOHOL ABUSE.

(2) "ALCOHOL ABUSE FACILITY" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) THE OFFICE OF A PHYSICIAN WHO TREATS HIS OWN PATIENTS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS PRACTICE; OR

(II) A HOSPITAL THAT IS LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE UNDER ARTICLE 43, §